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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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Applicant(s): **Strolle**

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Examiner: **Kevin Burd**

Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PERFORMING BANDEDGE  
EQUALIZATION**

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 1999 (Paper No. 7), the applicant submits the following remarks.

REMARKS

In view of the following discussion, the applicant submits that none of the claims now pending in the application is obvious under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 103. Thus, the applicant believes that all of these claims are now in allowable form.

I. REJECTION OF CLAIMS 1, 9-10, 12 and 15-16 UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

The Examiner has rejected claims 1, 9-10, 12 and 15-16 as being unpatentable over the Anderson patent (United States patent 4,891,716, issued January 2, 1990). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Anderson teaches a system for automatically calibrating a data signal channel. Specifically, Anderson supplies a calibration signal into a channel,